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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of:

Christopher KEN *et al.*

Serial No.: Not yet assigned

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For: DETACHABLE ANEURYSM NECK
BRIDGE (III)

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination and calculation of fees for this application, please make the following amendments:

In the Specification:

Page ~~1~~, line 8, please delete "This application is a conversion to regular U.S.. patent application of provisional U.S.. application number 60/055,566 filed August 13, 1997." and insert:

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--This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/126,705, entitled "DETACHABLE ANEURYSM NECK BRIDGE (III)", filed July 30, 1998, which was a conversion to regular U.S. patent application of provisional U.S. application number 60/055,566 filed August 13, 1997.--

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims ~~1-16~~ without prejudice. Please amend the following claims:

NE Claim 17, line 7, please delete "self-assumed" and replace with --self-assumed--.

NE Claim 30, line 30, please delete "sire", and replace with --wires--.

REMARKS

Claims 1-16 have been cancelled and claims 17-30 are currently pending. Claims 17 and 30 have been amended to correct typographical errors. No new matter has been added.

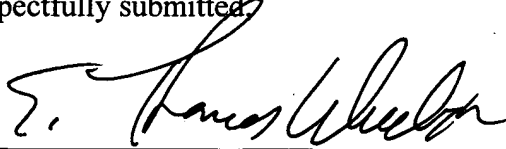
In keeping with 37 C.F.R. 1.607(c), applicants note that the remaining claims in this application correspond to claims 1-4, 6, and 8-16 of U.S. Patent 5,916,235 to Guglielmi, issued June 29, 1999.

Should the Examiner have any questions, he or she is invited to call the undersigned at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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